

Appl. No. 10/766,702

Preliminary Amendment to RCE in Response to Office Action of December 5, 2005

REMARKS

In the December 5, 2005 Office Action, Claims 1-20 were rejected on several grounds. Each of these was dealt with in a response to the Office Action. In an Advisory Action, the Patent Office declined to allow the claims to issue. Amendments presented convert the claimed subject matter from compositions to methods of use of the compositions.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the claim amendments. Applicant believes that the claims are in condition for Allowance. Should any issues of formality remain that can be dealt with in a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (480) 385-5060.

If for some reason Applicants have not requested a sufficient extension and/or have not paid a sufficient fee for this response and/or for the extension necessary to prevent abandonment on this application, please consider this as a request for an extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2091 for any fee which may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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